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1. In the opinion of a member of the faculty of a middle school and two important industrialists in Peiping and Tientsin the Korean cease-fire talks will not be successful and the Communists will continue to fight in Korea. These opinions were gathered at about the time Malik made his suggestion in the United Nations.¹
2. The Chinese made preparations for the cease-fire talks in the middle of May. The talks will fail completely because of a lack of sincerity and will drag on for three or four weeks.

1. Comment. The basis of this opinion is presumably rumor.

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